

Our picks for locally available WATCHES FOR MOTORING ENTHUSIASTS

With life moving by in the blink of an eye, keeping track of time is essential. Sure, we can keep track of time with a smartphone, but why not do it with the flick of a wrist? Watches reflect the personality, lifestyle, class and fashion sense of a person as much as their vehicles do. Cars and watches are homogenous since both are traditionally mechanical and full of complex and precise engineering measures. Watches not only keep you on track of time but also lets you value the time you have.



SEIKO ASTRON (SSH021J1)
The Japanese watchmaker Seiko has had a reputation for reliability and accuracy since 1881. Their watches are not only genius in design and contain historical philosophy but also are of high-end quality. Astron has a reputation as the world's first GPS solar watch which is taken to the next level with 5X-series, it's cutting edge features like high-speed time zone adjustment, time transfer and more in a definitively slim design makes it stand out.

Price: Tk. 250,000-255,000/-
Movement: GPS solar Dual-time
Water resistance: 100M
Functions: GPS solar, GPS-controlled time with time-zone adjustment, dual-time with AM/PM indicator, perpetual calendar correct up to the year 2100, signal reception result indicator, world-time function with 40 time zones, daylight saving time function, power-saving function

TAG HEUER FORMULA 1 (CAZ101AC.BA0842)
When it comes to thinking about sporty luxury watches, the Swiss watchmaker Tag Heuer is the first one that comes to people's minds. Tag Heuer watches have outstanding residual values because of their desirability and reliability. This specific watch resembles what a motoring enthusiast's watch should be with its yellow borderline and carbon fibre-textured midnight dial. It will definitely stand out looking fashionably sharp.

Price: Tk. 240,000-245,000/-

Movement: Quartz-Chronograph

Water resistance: 200M

Functions: Hours, minutes, seconds, Chronograph: 1/10 second, 30 minutes counter, date



ZEPPELIN LZ126 LOS ANGELES (86442)

German Zeppelin watches are known for their solid reliability and durability. Zeppelin may even entice the eye of the fanatic since the brand has quite a nostalgic approach and the emblem has a long history. This watch looks retro and amazing which can be associated with vintage classic car's which is also, surprisingly budget-friendly for a watch of such high quality. It's simple leather strap and lovely red on black colour make it look stylish and sporty befitting a car enthusiast's wrist.

Price: Tk. 35,000-40,000/-
Movement: Swiss quartz
Water resistance: 5ATM
Functions: Hours, minutes, seconds, date, 2nd Time Zone



CASIO EDIFICE (EFV-570D-1AVUDF)

Casio as a brand offers some of the best value for money, its ridiculous affordability and durability often catch people off-guard. Some people write it off as cheap but watch enthusiasts appreciates the value. This watch is perfect for casual budget-minded people who wants the most bang for bucks. It's an incredible gentlemen's watch that is dynamic in design and is consistently durable. The Japanese watchmaker Casio is precise and efficient, this watch is no exception for the good quality and affordable pricing.

Price: Tk. 11,000-15,000/-
Movement: Quartz
Water resistance: 100M
Functions: Hours, minutes, seconds, elapsed time, split time, 1st-2nd place times
Date display
Regular timekeeping, 3 dials (24-hour, stopwatch minutes, stopwatch seconds).

COVER STORY

TOP SKILLS FOR JOBS THAT SCHOOLS DON'T TEACH YOU

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A school education system should teach students professional skills to help them in their job life. Unfortunately, schools in Bangladesh still do not prepare the students with sufficient abilities to fit in a workplace. Instead, they are still teaching in an outdated curriculum contingent on memorisation and little creative practises specific to academic textbooks.

Since the lessons remain confined within classrooms, educational institutions have not been able to instil the necessary knowledge among students. Hence, they are unprepared for the competitive professional world. Vital skills such as creative writing, communication, teamwork and personal finance management remain unlearned. As such, students struggle to fit into workplaces of many industries, including but not limited to the corporate sector, development sector, academia. On the other hand, there is an upward trend of high school graduates and university freshers trying to join professional workplaces early to craft a better profile for themselves.

Since educational institutions are not preparing their students properly, it falls upon them to take the initiative. By acquiring the necessary skills, students can fit into a workplace and enhance their overall growth. While many skills are industry-specific and

are not transferable across workplaces, some top foundational skills apply in most career paths.

CREATIVE WRITING

Although the updated national curriculum module includes a creative, subjective question-answer section in exams, most questions are recycled or are in the same pattern. In most cases, the classroom lectures and the exams do not offer thought-provoking creative practises and writings. It limits the quality of writing in students.

Although not as crucial for clerical or STEM-related jobs, this is a vital skill for popular jobs such as copywriting, grant writing and any academic positions. Learning this skill is also a timely decision since soft skills such as creativity and writing generally decrease over time.

DIGITAL APPLICATION MANAGEMENT

At an age where smartphones and other electronic devices have become integral to our lives, digital device usage in academics is a necessary component. During the pandemic, the shift towards online classes has hinted that it is likely that practises of digital application usage will increase in the future. It is critical to learn the use of essential software, such as Microsoft Office Google Suite (Docs, Sheets, Slides) for online work. Learning to handle a tech-integrated workplace

is necessary for online collaborative work, so this is a skill that many employers will expect. Furthermore, it is crucial to promptly use professional platforms, such as Zoom and Google Meet. Although many students are more acquainted with this in urban areas, many remain disenfranchised in the suburbs, rural areas and even cities. This skill is crucial across most workplaces such as the private job sector, multinational corporations, academic sectors and more.

TEAMWORK

Working in teams can bring out the best in everyone. The structures of professional workplaces focus on teams working across departments. Unfortunately, our education system does not include adequate drills and practises for group work. Essential practises such as group assignments and discussions are usually absent.

Instead, most tasks in schools are assigned on an individual basis. Many students do not learn teamwork skills such as effectively communicating within a team and actively listening to others in groups while collaborating with different-minded individuals. Teamwork is a skill that students need to acquire to be good team players in their workplaces and make the most of themselves and their teammates.

TIME MANAGEMENT

A job life comes with many different

responsibilities, deadlines and commitments. Time management means planning things, setting your trackers for them and sticking to that. Unfortunately, our schools do not necessarily teach us how to manage our time effectively. Giving school exams on time and some occasional assignments on deadlines is not enough to practice time management. It is a soft skill that is necessary across most industries. There are various ways to manage your time - some do it manually, some through digital apps such as Todoist and TimeTree. The modality you choose to measure your productivity can vary as long as you effectively manage your time.

BASIC FINANCE

Understanding basic finance is necessary, whether for daily housekeeping or any job. Schools have no academic lessons or practise regarding this. Whether it is managing daily finance, tracking spending, having savings, etc., fundamental finance skills are compulsory. Financial literacy is critical because it provides students with the knowledge and skills to manage their earnings efficiently. It is essential for students who want to become entrepreneurs, as they need to maximise their potential economic growth and substantiate their start-ups. This skill is a must for both personal and professional lives.

